

Teacher-Pupil Ratio in Government Colleges

135. **Sri B. P. GANGADHAR** (Tumkur).—

Will the Minister for Education to pleased to state :—

(a) the total strength of students in all the 15 Government Colleges in the State during the academic year 1967-68 ;

(b) the number of Professors, Readers and Lecturers working as on October, 1967 (excluding the posts of Director of Collegiate Education) and the number of vacant posts of Professors and Readers ;

(c) the ratio of distribution of students in these several colleges ?

A.—Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Education).—

(a) 19,937.

(b) (i) Actually working as on October 1967 :—

Professors	...	7
Readers	...	44
Lecturers	...	578

(ii) Vacant Posts

Professors	...	12
Readers	...	7

(c) The Teacher—Pupil Ratio is 1 : 32.

Kapila Project Work

129. **Sri L. SRIKANTIAH** (Nanjangud).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(a) when the work under the Kapila Project was undertaken and the estimated cost of the same ;

(b) whether the estimates have been revised and if so, how often and what is the estimate as it stands to-day ;

(c) when Government propose to commission this project ;

(d) the steps taken by Government to speed up finalisation of the works ;

(e) whether all the money (estimated costs) has been provided to the Engineering Department to finalise the works ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) (i) December 1959.

(ii) Rs. 320 lakhs.

(b) The estimate was under revision and the revised estimate as finalised amounts to Rs. 2,480 lakhs.

(c) In about five years from now subject to the availability of adequate funds.

(d) A separate P.W.D. circle with three divisions has been set up for speedy completion of the work.

(e) Funds are being allotted every year depending upon the allocation for the State's Annual Plan.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE re: ATROCITIES OF POLICE AND REVENUE AUTHORITIES ON THE VILLAGERS OF MARKHAL.

2-00 P.M.

Sri V. N. PATIL (Humnabad).—Sir, I call attention of the Hon'ble Home Minister to the atrocities committed by the Police and Revenue Authorities over the villages of Markhal.

Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food and Civil Supplies).—Sir, certain Harijans of Bothgi Village had made a representation dated 29th September 1967 to the Deputy Commissioner, Bidar that their houses situated on the bank of the river Bothgi Village were rendered unsafe during the floods and requested for allotment of some other alternative site for constructing dwelling houses. The Deputy Commissioner, Bidar allotted 10 acres of land (Gairan land) out of 47 acres in Markhal Village. After allotment of the land, some of the Harijans erected houses.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—Sir, I rise on a point of order. I am entitled to a copy of Government's statement and I have not been provided with it. When I have moved the motion under, rule 63, it goes without saying that I am entitled to a copy. That is the convention and the practice in this House. If an exception is to be made in my case, I leave it to the Chair whether to protect me or not protect me.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will give my ruling after the statement is read.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It is alleged that on 29th October 1967, between 7 and 9 A.M. some of the villagers of Markhal Village formed themselves into an unlawful assembly and armed with deadly weapons went to the place where the Harijans of Bothgi Village had put up houses, forcibly entered the huts and looted properties consisting of silver and gold ornaments, zinc sheets and other household articles and also caused damage to the articles by setting fire. On receipt of a complaint in this behalf, the Chitguppa Police registered a case for an offence under Cr. No. 47/67 under Sections 148, 332, 149, 395 and 427 I.P.C. and took up investigation. In his complaint, the complainant had mentioned names of almost all the male population of the Markhal Village as accused. The villagers of Markhal have been evading coming to the